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To help the PLATO computer-based instruction system user achieve the most efficient storage and manipulation of data, this manual begins with a review of the structure of decimal, binary, and octal number systems, and methods for converting from one system to another. The text describes the four basic operations that PLATO employs to manipulate bits of data (shifting, mask, union, and diff) and how these operations can be used to: (1) store data in an integer variable using shifting and masking; (2) pack and recover information; and (3) store data in a variable using segment. Other methods of bit manipulation are described, and an appendix provides tables of number system conversions and internal keycodes. (EMH)

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I. Introduction

Authors often need to store large amounts of information. Use of a single variable for each piece of information would be wasteful; the information can be packed into fewer variables and retrieved when needed. Sometimes a simple yes - no or on off or 1 - \$\beta\$ is all the information desired. We shall concentrate on packing somewhat more complicated information into an integer variable (n-variable) since the bit operations described are usually valid only for integer variables.

Before we discuss bits and bit operations, let us review the three basic number systems we encounter in work with computers: decimal, binary, and octal. We shall be concerned with expressing integers in these three systems and in converting numbers from one system to another. Authors who wish to proceed directly to a discussion of "segment" may turn to page 11.

II. Number systems

Decimal number system. The number system in everyday use is based on powers of 10. The number 3842, for example, is actually 3000+800+800+40+2, or $3\times10^3+8\times10^2+4\times10^3+2\times10^9$. The decimal (base 10) system has 10 symbols, 0 through 9. The next integer beyond $9=9\times10^9$ (or $99=9\times10^3+9\times10^9$ or $999=9\times10^2+9\times10^3$, etc.) is 1×10^3 (or 1×10^2 or 1×10^3 , etc.). When all digits contain the highest symbol (9), integers start over again with the symbol "1" with an increase of 1 in the highest power of 10. With these fundamental ideas of the maximum permitted symbol in the number system and of writing numbers in terms of powers of the base, we can use other number systems to represent any quantity. To avoid confusion, we shall indicate the base of a given number as a subscript; we write 101_{10} for 101 in base 10 or decimal; for 101_2 for 101 in base 2 or binary; and 101_8 for 101 in base 8 or octal.

Binary number system. The binary system (base 2) is especially convenient for computers. There are only two symbols, \$\textit{\gamma}\$ and 1. (These may be considered off— on switches.) Each binary digit is a bit. The number 18811112 means

 $1\times2^{6} + 9\times2^{5} + 9\times2^{4} + 1\times2^{3} + 1\times2^{2} + 1\times2^{1} + 1\times2^{9}$.

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In terms of the more familiar decimal system, this number is

or

Another way of making this last statement is 18811111 = 7918.

Octal number system. The octal system (base 8) uses eight symbols, \$\beta\$ through 7. The octal number 4375 represents

$$4 \times 8^3 + 3 \times 8^2 + 7 \times 8^1 + 5 \times 8^6$$

or, in terms of the decimal system,

$$4 \times 512 + 3 \times 64 + 7 \times 8 + 5 \times 1,$$
or
$$2 \% 48 + 192 + 56 + 5 = 23 \% 1_{1 \%},$$
or
$$4373_{8} = 23 \% 1_{1 \%}$$

III. Conversion from one system to another

Binary to decimal. We use the power method just described.

$$1 \cancel{9} \cancel{1} \cancel{1} \cancel{1} \cancel{2} = \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2}^{4} + \cancel{9} \times \cancel{2}^{3} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2}^{2} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2}^{1} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2}^{9}$$

$$= \cancel{1} \times \cancel{1} \cancel{6} + \cancel{9} \times \cancel{8} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{4} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2}$$

$$= \cancel{1} \times \cancel{1} \cancel{6} + \cancel{9} \times \cancel{8} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{4} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2} + \cancel{1} \times \cancel{2}$$

$$\cancel{1} \cancel{9} \cancel{1} \cancel{1} \cancel{1} \cancel{2} = \cancel{2} \cancel{3} \cancel{1} \cancel{9}$$

Octal to decimal. Use the power method.

$$324_8 = 3\times8^2 + 2\times8 + 4\times8^8$$

$$= 3\times64 + 2\times8 + 4\times1$$

$$324_8 = 212_{10}$$

<u>Decimal</u> to <u>binary</u>. For small decimal integers, conversion to binary can be carried out by inspection, using the reverse of the procedure above. Any decimal integer can be broken down into the sum of powers of 2. (Appendix B. contains a table of powers of 2 up to 2⁵⁹.) For example:

$$47_{10} = 32 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1$$

$$= 2^{5} + 2^{3} + 2^{2} + 2^{1} + 2^{0}$$

$$= 1 \times 2^{5} + 0 \times 2^{4} + 1 \times 2^{3} + 1 \times 2^{2} + 1 \times 2^{1} + 1 \times 2^{0}$$

$$47_{10} = 101111_{2}$$

This procedure becomes tedious for conversion of large decimal integers. Another method of conversion from decimal to binary requires only successive division of the decimal integer by 2 and recording of the remainder (which is either 0 or 1). Remainder after the first division by 2 is the lowest bit (right-most bit); remainder after division of the quotient by 2 is the next higher bit, and so on. This process is continued until the quotient is 0.

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For example, convert 53₁₈ to binary notation.

Thus, $53_{10} = 110101_{2}$

Decimal to octal. The methods given for decimal to binary conversion also apply here. Except for very small decimal integers, the powers of 8 method is cumbersome. We use the method of dividing successively by 8.

For example, convert 439₁₀ to octal notation.

Thus, $439_{10} = 667_{8}$.

Binary to octal. We arrange the binary number in groups of 3 bits each, starting with the right-most bit. In each group we give the bit position its binary value: 2^2 , or 2^8 (or 4, 2, or 1). If all bits in a group are set (i.e., =1), then the value of the group is 7; if none are set, the value of the group is 8. The value of the triplet is between 8 and 7, exactly the range of symbols in the octal system. When all groups have been evaluated individually and written successively, the resulting number is in octal notation. We bypass the decimal system entirely.

For example, convert 1181811818_2 to octal notation.

1 181 811 818

1 5 3 2

Thus, 1 101 011 010 = 15328. (Spaces may be embedded within a binary or octal number to increase readability. Such spaces are ignored during any computation.)

Octal to binary. This process is exactly the reverse of the preceding one. We take the octal number and break up each octal digit into bits. Since, the greatest octal digit is 7, no more than 3 bits are needed to express one octal digit. These bits are the 4, 2, and 1 bits.

For example, convert 62451, to binary notation.

6 2 4 5

`11g g1g 1gg 1g1 gg1

Thus, 62451 = 110 010 100 101 0012.

Appendix A. contains a table of decimal, octal, and binary integers from Ø to 6910.

IV. Bit operations on PLATO

Octal representation of a negative number is the 7's complement of the representation of the positive number; that is, each octal digit is subtracted from 7. Suppose the number in decimal notation is -22. Octal representation of +22 is o26; octal representation of -22 is, therefore, o777777777777777751. ©octal representation of -Ø (negative zero) is

Shifting bits within a variable. Two operations allow bits to be moved within a variable. Arithmetic right shift (ars) moves bits to the right by the specified number of bits. Bits "falling off" the right end of the octal number are lost; the sign bit (\$\mathbe{g}\$ or 1) is written in the vacated positions on the left end.

Example 1. o571% \$ars\$ 6 (Shift 6 lits to the right.)

Since the shift is 6 bits or 2 triplet groups or 2 octal

digits, we can find the result easily.'

Result is o57. (The 6 bits on the right end are lost.)

Example 2. o5718 \$ars\$ 8 (Shift 8 bits to the right.)

We first write down the number in binary notation since the shift is not by triplet groups and, therefore, not easily done by inspection. 5718 = 181 111 881 8882. We shift bits to the right by 8 positions and drop the right most 8 bits.

Result is 1 \emptyset 11₂ = 13₈ = 013. Hence, 0571 \emptyset \$ars\$ 8 is 013.

Example 3. o777777777777772067 \$ars\$ 6

o7777777777777772Ø (Six bits vacated on the left are filled with the sign bit, which is 1.)

The second shifting operation is the circular left shift (cls). In contrast to the right shift, bits here are not lost. Bits falling off the left end are tacked on to the right end of the octal number, so that a bit may cycle through all positions of a variable.

Example 1. o5710 \$cls\$ 6 (Shift 6 bits to the left.)

Since the shift is through 2 triplet groups, the result can be obtained by inspection.

Result is o571000.

- Example 2. o571\$ \$cls\$ 8 (Shift 8 bits to the left.)

 571\$\begin{align*}
 571\$\begin{align*}
 8 = .1\$\beta\$1 111 \$\beta\$81 \$\beta\$8\$\begin{align*}
 2. Shift 8 positions to the left and fill in vacated positions on the right with bits pushed over the left end. (In this case all these bits are zeros.)

 Result is 1\$\beta\$ 111 1\$\beta\$8 100 \$\beta\$8\$ \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8\$ \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8\$ \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8 \$\beta\$8\$ \$\beta\$8
- Example 4. o7777777777777777777867 \$cls\$ 8

 Result is o777777777775833777.

 (Write down the bits, shift, and regroup.)

Mask. The mask operations allows only certain bits to be "seen." The mask is analogous to the intersection of two sets. In the form n3 = n1 \$mask\$ n2, bits must be set (=1) in both n1 and n2 for the corresponding bits to be set in n3. There are four possible combinations for the bits, as shown in the following table.

- Example 1. The result of masking the binary number 100 111 with 110 001_2 is 100 001_2 . In octal notation we have: o47 \$mask\$ o61, which results in o41.
- Example 2. Mask the binary number 188 1112 with 112; result is 112.

 In octal notation this problem reads:

 o47 \$mask\$ o3, which results in o3.

The mask can act as a "window" on a variable. When bits are set in n2, the bits of n1 are visible; when bits are not set in n2, the window is closed and bits of n1 are not visible. The masking operation does not change the relative positions of bits.

- Example 3. Suppose you wish to see the right-most 8 bits (bits,53 through 60) of variable n1. Set up a mask in which only these bits are set, i.e., 11 111 111 = 0377

 Required expression is n1 \$mask\$ 0377.
- Example 4. Suppose in addition to bits 53 through 68 Gou also wish to see bits 39, 48, 41, 46, 47, and 48. Set up the mask

 1 118 888 111 888 811 111 111 = 016878377.

 Required expression is n1 \$mask\$ 016878377.

The TUTOR functions "lmask(x)" and "rmask(x)" set up special numbers which may be used in bit operations. The function "lmask(48)" gives a left-pustified octal number of 48 bits; that is, the left-most 48 bits of the number are set. The function "rmask(8)" gives a right-justified number of bits, where the right-most 8 bits are set. Thus, example 3 above could have been written: n1 \$mask\$ rmask(8).

Union. The union operation is analogous to the union of two sets. In the form n3 = n1 \$union\$ n2, if a bit is set in either n1 or n2 or in both, then the corresponding bit is set in n3. The following table gives the possible combinations.

- Example 1. Find the union of the binary numbers 100 1112 and 110 5012.

 Result is 110 1112. In octal notation the problem reads:

 047 Sunion\$ 061, which results in 067.
- Example 2. Find the union of 1881112 with 112. Result is 188 1112.

 (Remember the preceding zeros in the second binary number.)

 In octal notation: o47 \$union\$ o3 results in o47.

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The union operation is useful in setting specific bits in a variable.

Example 3. Suppose you want to be sure that bits 53 through 60 of a variable, n1; are set, independent of the other bits. Set the new value of the variable equal to the union of the old value and 11 111 1112 or o377 (or rmask(8)).

n1 = n1 \$union\$ o377 or n1 = n1 \$union\$ rmask(8)

Example 4. Variables may also be used in all bit operations. For example, n1 \$union\$ n4 is a legitimate expression.

Diff. In the form n3 = n1 \$diff\$ n2, a bit is set in n3 only if corresponding bits are set in either n1 or n2 but not in both. If corresponding bits in n1 and n2 are different, then the corresponding bit is set in n3.

Left corresponding bits in n1 and n2 are the same, the corresponding bit is not set in n2. The possible combinations are shown below.

As the table shows, if the bit in n2 is set, then the corresponding bit in n3 is the complement of the corresponding bit in n1 (set bits are unset and vice versa). If the bit in n2 is not set, the corresponding bit in n3 is the same as the corresponding bit in n1.

Example 1. Use the diff operation on the binary numbers 100 111 and 110 0012. Result is 010 1102. In octal notation the problem reads:

Example 2. Use the diff operation on the binary numbers 100 111 and 112.

Result is 100 1002. (Again, remember the preceding zeros in the second binary number.) In octal notation, we have o47 \$diff\$ 03, which results in o44.

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The diff operation is useful in reversing specific bits in a variable.

Example 3. Suppose you wish to reverse bits 53 through 60 of variable

n1 and set the result to n3. Take the diff with 11 1.11 1112 =

o377. (The preceding 17 octal zeros will not cause any changes in the bits of n1.)

n3 = n1 \$diff\$ o377 or n3 = n1 \$diff\$ rmask(8)

Example 4. Reverse bits 53 through 60 and also bits 45, 46, 48, 49, and 50 of variable n1 and set the result to n4. You need 1 101 110 011 111 111 2 o156377.

n4 = n1 \$diff\$ o156377

n4 (n1 \$ars\$ 26) \$mask\$ 017

or

or

 $n5 \Leftarrow (n1 \ sars \ 24) \ mask \ o74 \ (These shifts preserve the original triplets. Result n5 \Leftarrow (n1 \ scls \ 36) \ mask \ o74 for n5 is the same in the two examples.)$

If the only information needed is the values of the bits, then these operations are adequate. The results for n3, n4, and n5 are not equal, however, since the shifts are of different amounts, and the mask does not change the positions of the bits. Then

n4 , n3 \$ars\$ 26 , n5 \$ars\$ 2 are equivalent; n3 , n4 \$cls\$ 26 , n5 \$cls\$ 24 are equivalent; n5 , n3 \$ars\$ 24 , n4 \$cls\$ 2 are equivalent.

V. Applications -

'Storing data in an integer variable using shifting and masking. Suppose information to the stored in an integer variable consists of (in base 19):

(1) an integer ranging from 9 to 59; (2) a fractional number ranging from

-3.0 to +3.0, given to 0.1; (3) an integer ranging from -10 to +5. These may be packed into the variable in any order. Let us consider them in sequence.

- (1) \emptyset to $5\emptyset$ This number is a positive integer and requires no scaling. Consider the maximum number of bits required to pack it into a variable. $5\emptyset_{10} = 62_{8} = 110 \ \emptyset 10_{2}$. This number will require no more than 6 bits.
- (2) -3.0 to +3.0 This number requires scaling, both for sign and fractional part, since this method does not provide for storing signed numbers or fractions. After addition of 3.0 to eliminate negative values and multiplication by .10 to eliminate the fractional part, the maximum value is 60. $60 = 74 = 111 \ 100 = 74$. The scaled value will require no more than 6 bits. The original value may be recovered in the unpacking.
- (3) -10 to +5 This number requires scaling to eliminate negative values. After addition of 10, the maximum value is 15. 15₁₀ = 17₈ = 1 111₂. This scaled number will require no more than 4 bits. Again, the original value may be recovered in unpacking.

Packing and recovering the information. Suppose the information is stored in variables n1, v2, and n3, and that it is to be packed into variable n100, for example. The recovered information will be in variables defined earlier as a, b, and c, respectively. The code might be written in the following way:

* $\emptyset \le n1 \le 5\emptyset$, $-3.\emptyset \le v2 \le +3.\emptyset$, $-1\emptyset \le n3 \le +5$ * to pack: define a=v91, b=v92, c=v93

calc n2 = 10(v2+3) \$\$ scale for sign and decimal

,n3 = n3 + 10 \$\$ scale for sign

n100 = n1 + (n2 \$cls\$ 6) + (n3 \$cls\$ 12)

* n1 in right-most 6 bits; cls n2 over 6 bits and store in next

6 bits; cls n3 over 12 bits and store in next 4 bits

* to recover:

calc a = n100 \$mask\$ o77 \$\$ look at right-most 6 bits

b = ((n100 \$ars\$ 6)\$mask\$ o77)/10 - 3 \$\$ shift, mask, scale

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b \leftarrow ((n100 \$ars\$ 6)\$mask\$ o77)/10 - 3 \$\$ shift, mask, scale $c \leftarrow$ ((n100 \$ars\$ 12)\$mask\$ o17) - 10 \$\$\$ shift, mask, scale

The last two lines may also be written

calc . b \Leftarrow ((n100 \$mask\$ o7700)\$ars\$ 6)/10 - 3 \$\$ mask-first c \Leftarrow ((n100 \$mask\$ o170000)\$ars\$ 12) - 10

To check that all is working well, you might add the following code:

show a showt b,5,1 or write $\langle s,a \rangle \langle s,b \rangle \langle s,c \rangle$ showt c,5

This procedure becomes economical when large amounts of data of similar formats are to be packed into many variables.

We shall now discuss the problem of packing using the segment feature, which performs many of the operations automatically.

Storing data in a variable using segment. The segment feature allows successive variables to be broken up into segments or bytes for purposes of storing data. The author selects a byte size which will accommodate the numbers. To use the segment feature, a statement must be added to the set of definitions with the following form:

define defis

- segment, name=starting variable, number of bits per byte,s
 put no other definitions on the same line with segment
 definition
- last argument, s, is optional, and is needed for signednumbers.

The byte size may be from 1 to 59 and cannot be a variable. The address of the starting variable also may not be a variable. (The address of the variable is the number attached to it; e.g., the address of v59 is 59; address of n13 is 13. Hence, one may not use v(v48) in the segment definition.) Unlike the example discussed in the preceding section, v-variables or n-variables may be used with the segment feature. However, only integer data may be stored. When given, the last argument in the segment definition indicates that storage of negative as well as positive integers is permitted. Without this argument only positive integers may be packed correctly. If the last argument is included, byte size must be increased by 1 to allow one bit for the sign. The convention for octal representation of negative integers is then similar to that discussed at the top of page 5.

Segmenting starts at the left end of the variable. If the byte size does not subdivide the 6% bits evenly, the extra bits at the right end of each segmented variable are unused. For example, a variable can contain seven 8-bit segments with 4 bits left over.

To fit into an unsigned segment of size n bits, integers may range from \emptyset to 2^n-1 . For a signed segment of size n bits, integers may range from $-(2^{n-1}-1)$ to $+(2^{n-1}-1)$. Attempts to fit integers outside these ranges will give erroneous results. Suppose we have a byte size of 7. In the table of powers of 2 in Appendix B., we find that such a segment can store positive integers from \emptyset to 127 or signed integers from -63 to +63.

More often you have a batch of data with a known maximum absolute value and wish to select the byte size. If this value is such that $2^{n-1} \le |\max|_{x = 1}^{n} |$ then the byte size for unsigned integers is n and for signed integers, n+1. ($|\max|_{x = 1}^{n} |$ then the byte size for unsigned integers is n and for consider only the value and disregard the sign.) Suppose we want to fit the integer 17689 into a segment. We find from Appendix B. that this integer lies between 2^{14} and 2^{15} . For an unsigned segment the byte size must be at least 15. For a signed segment we must allow a byte size of at least 16. If the integer is -17689, the procedure is the same, except that we are restricted to signed segments; the byte size must be at least 16.

Suppose we want to break up variables into 6-bit bytes and need 100 such bytes. Then 10 variables will be required (ten 6-bit bytes per variable). Suppose also that some of the data to be packed consist of negative numbers. We might store some of the information as follows:

define seta

segment,class=v10,6,s

* integers from -31
10 to +31
10 may be packed without loss of
information

zero v10,10 \$\$ initialize v10 through v19 calc v1 \Leftarrow 1.5 n2 \Leftarrow 4 class(1) \Leftarrow 2 \$\$ set 1st byte to 2 class(2) \Leftarrow 3 \$\$ set 2nd byte to 3 class(4) \Leftarrow 7 \$\$ set 4th byte to 7 etc. class(20) \Leftarrow class(1) + class(4) \Leftrightarrow class(45) \Leftarrow -8

\ \ \

class(12) = n2 class(32) = 10v1 As a check the packed information may be displayed:

show | class(4) | showt | class(32)/10,4,1

Values may also be displayed by

write <s,class(4)> <s,class(32)/10>

The calculations above result in the following non-zero variables:

class(2)

v1Ø is o Ø2 Ø3 ØØ Ø7 ØØ ØØ ØØ ØØ

class(1) class(4)

class(12) class(28)

class(32) class(4 β)

v14 is o pp pp pp 67 pp pp pp pp pp (here; $67_8 = -8_{10}$)

class (45)

Preceding zeros are included only for ease in counting bytes and need not usually be included in writing the octal numbers.

Packing of the negative number may be analyzed further. Consider only the relevant byte of v14.

 $067 = 67_8 = 110 \cdot 111_2$

Since, according to our segment definition, we are dealing with a signed number, the left-most bit is interpreted as the sign bit, and since it is 1, the number is negative. To obtain this number we take the 1's complement of the binary number; we flip the bits of 110 1112 and obtain $001.000_2 = 10_8 = 0.10$. The number stored in this byte is the negative of this integer, or -0.10.

Consider the example given previously. Information to be stored consists of (1) an integer ranging from \$\mathcal{g}\$ to 5\$\mathcal{g}\$, represented by n1; (2) a number ranging from +3.\$\mathcal{g}\$ to +3.\$\mathcal{g}\$; represented by v2; (3) are integer ranging from +1\$\mathcal{g}\$ to +5, represented by n3.

The integer stored in n1 requires a maximum of 6 bits. Since the sign argument in the segment must be included to allow for negative numbers in the other data, an additional bit must be used, so the byte size is/7.

The number stored in v2 requires scaling for the fractional part but not for the sign as previously. Scaled values range from -30 to +30. Since $30_{10} = 36_{8} = 11 \ 110_{2}$ and one additional bit must be allowed for the negative values, this byte requires 6 bits.

The integer stored in n3 does not require scaling for sign as before. The largest absolute value that must be considered is 10_{10} . Since $10_{10} = 12_{8} = 01 010_{2}$, and $-10_{10} = 10 101_{2}$ here, this byte requires 5 bits.

For simplicity let all three bytes be size 7. Then there are 8 segments to a variable, with 4 bits left over at the right end. Suppose the data are stored starting in v100. The code might be written:

 $\emptyset \le n1 \le 5\emptyset$; $-3.\emptyset \le v2 \le +3.\emptyset$; $-1\emptyset \le n3 \le +5$

define segs /
segment,info=v100,7,s

calc info(1) \(= n1 \) \$\$ n1, v2, n3 have been previously set info(2) \(= 1\beta v2 \) info(3) \(= n3 \) \$\$ scale v2 for fractional part

check values by displaying:

show info(1) showt info(2)/10,3,1 \$\$ scale back showt info(3),4

Values may also be displayed by

write $4s, info(1) \triangleright 4s, info(2)/10 \triangleright 4s, info(3) \triangleright$

Note the difference in location in the variable from the earlier example; there the information was packed starting at the right end of the variable, while with segment the packing starts at the left end.

The same variable(s) can be segmented into bytes of different sizes.

For example, suppose three 9-bit bytes and four 1-bit bytes are needed. The -define- could be written as follows:

define packup
 segment, numb=v100,9,s
 segment, onoff=v100,1
 mean=numb(1),sd=numb(2),coef=numb(3)
 proba=onoff(28),probb=onoff(29),probc=onoff(30),probd=onoff(31)



Note that segmented values may be referenced in subsequent defined variables. Any permutation of the segmented data could have been used. In using this multiple segment care must be taken not to overwrite one segment with another. The three segments above, "mean," "sd," and "coef," each require nine bits. Since they are defined sequentially, they occupy bits 1 through 27. Hence in defining or using the next group of segments, "proba," "probb," "probc," and "probd," we must not use any of these first 27 bits; the first bit available is number 28.

The segment feature divides successive variables into segments starting at the left end of the first variable and proceeding "horizontally" across variables. The first and second segments, for example, are adjacent segments in the first variable. Another form of segment is the vertical segment, which behaves exactly as its name implies. It breaks up successive variables into segments and proceeds "vertically" across variables. With vertical segmenting successive segments are in successive variables; the first and second segments are in the first and second variables. The format for the definition of the vertical segment is:

define defins

segment,vertical,name=starting variable,starting bit
position,number of bits per byte,s

last argument is needed only if signed numbers are used

Suppose the following information is to be stored in vertical segments:

(1) integers which range from Ø to 5×10^{11} ; (2) integers which range from -1248 to +892; (3) integers which range from Ø to 135. The bette sizes for these values are, respectively, 39 bits, 12 bits, and 8 bits. (Refer to the table in Appendix B)

The definitions for the vertical segments in this example could be written:

define all
 segment, vertical, big=v22,1,39
 segment, vertical, neg=v22,4Ø,12,s
 segment, vertical, small=v22,52,8

"Suppose the following calculations are performed:

calc big(1) ← 1000 big(2) ← 109 neg(1) ← 890 neg(2) ← -1200 small(1) ← 132 small(2) ← 15

These segments are all contained in variables v22 and v23. The calculations result in the following values for these variables.

v22 is oggøøøøøøø175ø 1572 41ø.

 $\sqrt[6]{23}$ is 00007346545000 5517 036.

Consider v22;

first 39 bits: $01750 = 1000_{10}$ (which is big(1))

= next 12 bits: o1572 = 890_{10} (which is neg(1); sign bit is 0)

next 8 bits: 0410\$ars\$1 = 0204 = 132₁₀ (which is small(1); the shift of 1 bit is helpful in evaluating the first 8 of the remaining 9 bits)

Consider v23:

first 39 bits: $07346545000 = 10^{9}$ (which is big(2))

bit is 1)

next 8 bits: 0/36 ars $1 = 017 = 15_{10}$ (which is small(2))

VI. Other methods of bit and character manipulation

Some TUTOR commands and functions allow bit and character manipulation.

These features are summarized below. The TUTOR Language by Bruce Sherwood and lesson "aids" provide details and exceptions.

character requires 6 bits, so that a variable can contain up to 10 characters. Appendix C. contains a table of internal keycodes, numerical representations, of more commonly used characters. In general, use of the keycodes in this table should be restricted to inspection of the contents of a variable. Suppose the expression 5+3=2×4 is stored in v1 with a -storea-command. The octal representation of v1 is o40453654356437000000. To specify characters in command tags, write the characters in single quotes (') if characters are left-justified (stored in the left end of the variable) or in double quotes (') if characters are right-justified (stored in the right end of the variable). For example, 'qed' occupies the first three characters (or

In all commands, below involving character manipulation, character positions are numbered from the left, i.e., the left-most position is 1; the right-most, 10. Except for -find- and -findall-, these commands may use either v- or n-variables. The -find- and -findall- commands must use n-variables. --

This command packs a character string into variable(s) starting at the left end (character position 1) of the indicated starting variable. Any unused characters to the right are filled with octal zeros.

pack v1, string \$\$ puts character string starting in v1
showa v1 \$\$ displays string (up to 10 characters)

pack v5,v6,string \$\$ puts character string starting in v6 and character count in v5 shows v6,v5 \$\$ displays string

(When packing up to 10 characters with the -calc- command, or calc "nice "string" packs the string into the variable at the right end; calc .nice 'string' packs the string at the left end. Unused characters are filled with octal zeros. The -storea- command packs a response into the left end of the variable with octal zeros filling out unused character positions.)

-move-.

This command moves characters from one character string to another.

move from starting variable, from starting position, to starting variable, to starting position, no. of characters (optional)

e.g.,

move v1,7,v8,11,2

This statement causes 2 characters starting at character position 7 of the string starting in v1 to be moved to position 11 of the string starting in v8, overwriting characters already at that position. If the number of characters is omitted, it is assumed to be 1.

Another version of the -move- command uses a character string as an argument. For example,

move 'plato',4,v8,1Ø

moves the character in position 4 of the string 'plato' (t, code=o24) to position 10 of the string starting in v8. If v8 was previously zeroed, it now has the value o24. More than one character may be moved. In

move 'plato',4,v8,8,2

the two characters starting in position 4^{-1} (to, code=02417) are moved to position 8 of v8. If v8 was previously zeroed, it is now 02417 \emptyset 0.

-itoa-.

This command converts an integer to an alphameric string.

variable where integer is stored, variable where alphameric string is stored (left-justified), variable where number of characters is stored (optional)

ė.g.,

calc n1 = 2468 p itoa n1.n6.n5

This statement causes the integer stored in n1, 2468\$, to be converted to an alphameric string which is stored in n6; n6 in octal format is now o3537414333\$\$\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\$. (See Appendix C., internal keycodes.) Since the third argument is included in this example, n5 contains the number of characters, 5. If the integer stored in n1 is -2468\$, then n6 contains o463537414333\$\$\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\textit{0}\$ and n5 contains 6.

-search-.

This command scans a character string for a object character string. The scanned string is not broken up into words, or variables. The scan can be considered as "horizontal" across a character string, which may extend over several variables:

scan — > v1,v2,v3,v4,...



-search (6 arguments)

This version of -search- looks for the first occurrence of a character string.

search object of search (left-justified), length of object-string, (<10 characters), starting variable of string to search, number of characters in string to search, relative character position at which to start search, variable where relative character position of object string is stored

e.q.,

storea v3Ø,jcount ok \$\$ student types: cats + dogs = animals.

search '=',1,v3Ø,jcount,1,v1

In this example the student's response is of length jcount (21 in this case, including embedded spaces) and is stored starting at variable v3\$, with 1\$\$ characters per variable. This string is searched for the object, =, which is of length 1. The search starts at variable v3\$\$ at the first character, relative character position 1. After the search is completed; the variable v1 contains 13 since the object string starts at the 13th character position.

Another example using the same string but with different search parameters

search 'cat',3,v3Ø,jcount,2,v1

The search now starts at character position 2. After the search is completed, v1 contains -1 since the object string, cat, starts at character position 1 and was not found.

-search-. (7 arguments)

This version of -search- looks for the specified number of occurrences of a character string.

search object of search (left-justified), length of object string (≤10 characters), starting variable of string to search, number of characters in string to search, relative character position at which to start search, variable for storing number of times object string is found, number of following variables for storing relative positions of object string.

The string in the previous examples, i.e., cats +-dogs = animals, is searched for the character s.

search 's',1,v30,jcount,1,v1,jcount \$\$ will store all possible \$\$ occurrences of object string

After the search the following values are contained in variables v1 through v(jcount):

v1 equals 3 (number of occurrences of object string)
v2 " 4 (relative character position of 1st occurrence)
v3 " 11 (relative character position of 2nd occurrence)
v4 " 21 (relative character position of 3rd occurrence)
v5 " -1 (no further occurrences of object string)
v6 through v(jcount) are unchanged.

-find-.

This command scans a set of variables for the first occurrence of an object bit pattern. Each variable (with or without a mask) is compared with an object bit pattern (with or without the same mask). The scan can be considered "vertical," with each variable scanned independently:

scan n1 scan n2 scan n3

find object bit pattern, integer variable at which to start search, number of variables, integer variable for relative found location, increment between variables (optional), mask (optional)

e.g.,

find 'we', n5, 26, n1 ##

 X's can be any value. Suppose, also, that we are no longer comparing the entire variable with the entire object bit pattern so we need the mask. We could have a statement like

find "we"\$cls\$12,n5,26,n1\$\$,1,07777\$\$\$\$

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find "wexx",n5,26,n100,1,077770000

(Here, x can be any 6-bit character.) Since a mask is specified, the increment must be given to avoid ambiguity.

Officourse, a numerical bit pattern is also acceptable as an argument. (However, see page 17 and Appendix C. for a precaution against use of octal representations of keycodes.) For example,

find \$\ding\$,n5,26,n1\$\$

returns the relative position of the first variable which matches the object bit pattern and which, therefore, has all bits set to \$\beta\$ since no mask is used. (Note: The object bit pattern should not be written with quotes, since "\$\beta\$" means the internal code corresponding to the character \$\beta\$, which is 033,)

-findall-.

The -findall- command is similar to the -find- command, but it picks up as many occurrences of the object bit pattern as desired.

findall object bit pattern, integer variable at which to start search, number of variables to search, integer variable where found count is stored, number of following variables where relative found locations of pattern are stored, increment between variables (optional), mask. (optional)

e.g.,

findall 'we',n5,26,n1\$\$,6,5

In this example, the scan for the object bit pattern is specified only for every fifth variable: n5, n10, n15, n20, n25, and n30. The number of found locations desired is six, so that all possible locations will be stored. Since the increment is not equal to 1, it must be specified. Since the mask is omitted, the entire variable is compared with the object bit pattern.

Suppose variables n5, n20 and n30 contain the object bit pattern. After findall- is executed, the following values are contained in variables n100 through n106:

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n100 equals 3 (number of occurrences of object bit pattern):
n101 " 0 (relative position of 1st occurrence: n5)
n102 " 15 (relative position of 2nd occurrence: n20)
n103 " 25 (relative position of 3rd occurrence: n30)
n104 " -1 (no further occurrences of object bit pattern)
n105 and n106 are unchanged
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With both -find- and -findall- a negative increment causes a backwards pass through the list. However, relative position is still counted from the first variable in the list. For example, suppose in the list below the number 483 is in variables n2, n4, and n5. The forward and backward scans with -find- produce the found locations indicated.

find	483,n1,6,n1ØØ	find '483,n1,6,n100,-1
forward	scan n1 scan n2 scan n3 scan n4 scan n5	scan n1 scan n2 scan n3 scan n4
n 100 is	scan n6 1 (first occurrence in n2)	scan n5 scan n6 n100 is 4 (first occurrence in n5)

bitcnt(x)

The TUTOR function "bitcht(x)" counts the number of bits set to 1 in its argument. For example:

The argument may be a variable. In most cases an integer variable would be used for the argument. For example:



However.

comp(x).

(See The TUTOR Language, by Bruce Sherwood, chapter 9 for discussion of octal representation of v-variables.)

The function "comp(x)" was mentioned on page 5. It reverses the value of the bits in its argument so that set bits are unset and vice versa. For example:

lmask(x), lmask(x).

The functions "lmask(x)" and "rmask(x)" were discussed on page 7.

These functions establish octal numbers with either left-most or rightmost bits set. The argument determines how many bits are set. For example:

lmask(48) = 07777777777777779000

rmask(14) = opppppppppppppp37777

zbpw, zbpc, zcpw.

The system variable "zbpw" is the number of bits per TUTOR word (or variable). It is equal to 60. The system variable "zbpc" is the number of bits per character and equals 6. The system variable "zcpw" is the number of characters per TUTOR word (or variable) and equals 10.

These system variables and functions may be combined. For example, rmask(zbpc), comp(lmask(zbpc)), and bitcnt(comp(n1)) are all legal.

Appendix A.

Decimal, Octal, and Binary Numbers from Ø to 6910

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Appendix · B.

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Given the byte size = n: range for unsigned integers is \emptyset to 2^n-1 range for signed integers is $-(2^{n-1}-1)$ to $+(2^{n-1}-1)$

Given the maximum absolute value such that $2^{n-1} \le |maximum| < 2^n$: byte size for unsigned integers is n byte size for signed integers is n+1 °

Appendix C.

Internal Keycodes

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